

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 8, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(i), (iii), add the following text:

Figure 5 shows the same view displayed in Figure 4 with the second selected pattern filled with a contact plug.

A1 Figure 6 shows the same view displayed in Figure 5, where the contact plug has a layer of refractory metal or refractory metal silicide proximate thereto.

At page 2, line 2, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(i), change 20 to --30--.

At page 13, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(iii), change the text in lines 12-17 by removing portions marked below within brackets and by adding underlined portions as follows:

--A conductive material 58 is formed upon contact 34 between spacers 28 within second selected pattern 17 as shown in Figure [4] 5. The conductive material will form a contact plug 58 to contact 34. It may be desirable to clad the contact plug with a refractory metal or a refractory metal silicide 60. As such, second selected pattern 17 would have proximate thereto the refractory metal or silicide thereof prior to formation of the contact plug in contact with contact 34 as schematically shown in Figure 6.--

Clean copy, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(ii), of the preceding marked up paragraph on page 13 of the specification:

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